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Wayne hospital to treat only COVID-19 patients

The emergency room at Beaumont Hospital Wayne has been closed as the facility continues to admit COVID-19 patients transferred from other Beaumont facilities.

The move is part of the hospital surge plan and was implemented last week as Beaumont recorded 650 COVID-19 patients already in care with another 200 cases awaiting test results.

Physicians at each of the Beaumont hospitals will choose patients to be transferred to the Wayne facility and those transitions began last week, officials said. In addition to the emergency room, obstetrical services will be moved from Wayne to the Dearborn Beaumont Hospital to make room for the coronavirus patients.

The move to Wayne was the best option in the effort to avoid overcrowding of patients at other Beaumont facilities, officials said. "It's centrally located, for one, for all of our campuses," said Beaumont COO Carolyn Wilson, in a prepared statement. "Two, they have a lot of expertise in communicable disease being close to the Detroit airport. We've invested even more training and specialty into that campus to care for this type of patient."

She recommended that patients needing emergency care or treatment for COVID-19 go to Beaumont Canton or another hospital. Curbside screening for the virus which had been available in tents erected in the hospital parking lot has also been discontinued at the Wayne facility.

"Cars are driving up continuously to give us donations and bring us things," Wilson said. "We just have an outpouring of support from our community saying thank you in different ways. The outpouring from the community gives me hope."

Beaumont Wayne patients were being discharged as soon as medically safe last week in preparation for the expected surge of transferred patients. Wilson said the hospital was identifying the resources and staffing levels needed in Wayne to care for the COVID-19 patients.

"The Beaumont, Wayne team has the expertise and ability to respond quickly to meet the needs of our COVID-19 patients. When patients come to a Beaumont hospital to seek care for COVID-19, our physicians will assess them. If the hospital does not have the capacity to care for the patient, we will transfer more COVID-19 patients to Beaumont Hospital, Wayne," Wilson's statement said.

"We continue to monitor the shifting volumes and needs of our patients and teams across Beaumont to make the best decisions. I am confident the team at our Wayne hospital is ready to serve the needs of COVID-19 patients. We are sending additional staff, supplies and equipment to help support our phenomenal team at Wayne."

Speak up

Student among winners of veterans' competition

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

American Legion Post 251 Chaplain Jack Stange congratulates Wayne Memorial High School 12th grader/honoree Julia Givens, as Kerry Hritz, Wayne Memorial Social Science department chair looks on.

Julia Givens, a 12th-grader in Kerry Hritz' American Government and Politics class at Wayne Memorial High School, recently was lauded in the Oratorical Contest of the American Legion, Post 251 of Westland.

"She is a wonderful student. She's dedicated, hardworking. She's definitely a leader," Hritz said.

Givens memorized a series of speeches for the American Legion initiative, focused on the amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

"I'm super proud of her. Just a huge win for Wayne High," added Hritz of the third-place win by Givens, whose speeches note our U.S. Constitution has the significance of "still being (a) meaningful body."

It had been 10 years since a student from either Wayne Memorial or John Glenn high school had participated in the Legion Oratorical Contest. Givens will attend Wayne State University to major in Global Studies next year, noted Hritz, Social Science department chair at Wayne Memorial High.

Jack Stange, Post 251 chaplain, noted Givens garnered a $250 scholarship for her third-place win, with Post leaders also presenting certificates. Hritz received $50 and a certificate.

"The contest is done every year with contestants talking for 10 minutes on a topic of their choice on the U.S. Constitution," Stange said. The teens are then given a topic from one of five random amendments to the U.S. Constitution, and speak on that topic for five minutes.

"They cannot have notes," said Stange. "It's by memory." Teens don't have to have an affiliation with the U.S. military to participate, added Stange. Judging is performed by American Legion members.

Teen participants start at district level, and then the first-place winners move on to the state contest where a first-place person receives $1,500. The winner of that contest then goes on to the national contest in Indianapolis, where the first-place winner receives an $18,000 scholarship.

Contest information is online at www.legion.org. Stange, a Westland resident and U.S. Air Force veteran, noted his post oratorical contest is also open to local parochial schools such as Lutheran Westland High School as well as the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district, in the Post 251 area as those communities lack a Legion Post.

Students in grades nine-12 vie in the oratorical contest. The American Legion has other scholarships including: Baseball, Boys State, Legacy Scholarship, Eagle Scout of the Year, and Shooting

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Egg hunt, Sumpter Country Festival are canceled

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Two popular Sumpter Township events have succumbed to the effects of the coronavirus.

Officials have cancelled both the annual Easter Egg Hunt and the Sumpter Country Festival for this year in response to the effects of the COVID 19 pandemic.

Both long-time events are organized by the township Parks and Recreation Commission, a volunteer group.

The Easter Egg Hunt, which was planned for April 4 usually attracts more than 40 youngsters up to age 12 who search in age groups for plastic eggs which can be redeemed for bags containing candy and a stuffed animal.

"It really is too bad, the kids always enjoyed it," said Sharon Pokerwinski, who along with her husband, Richard, has been active with the parks and recreation commission for more than 22 years.

As the secretary of the parks and recreation department, Pokerwinski, along with festival chairman Kim Toms, said the cancellation of the Sumpter Festival set for May 22 through 25, is a regrettable and disappointing situation.

They agreed, however, the cancellation was unavoidable in light of the pandemic and threat of the coronavirus, but said that nearly 20,000 to 25,000 people who usually attend the event will be disappointed this year. The Sumpter Country Festival has been part of the community for 36 years.

"It really is an annual tradition and part of the community," Pokerwinski said. "We will reorganize and bring it back next year, but we can't endanger lives." The festival usually includes food vendors, crafters and commercial sales, a carnival, the Michigan Pedal Pullers, a car show and the most popular event, the Demolition Derby, along with holiday fireworks.

The members of the various Sumpter Country Festival committees began working on the event in December, contacting vendors and making the myriad arrangements for the event.

Toms also expressed his disappointment with the cancelling of the traditional event.

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Wayne - Westland

Wayne Main Street group names new director

Lori Morrow has been named as the new executive director of Wayne Main Street.

Morrow is a 10-year resident of Wayne with a background in business. She has s been a volunteer at Wayne Main Street for four years, helping with Downtown Days and serving on the committee for Toast Wayne.

Morrow has attended many Wayne Main Street events and is an active part of the community, according to a prepared release from the organization.

Morrow said she is looking forward to working with volunteers to help grow the community and businesses.

In light of the governor's stay home order, two upcoming Wayne Main Street events have been canceled. The Downtown Wayne Clean-Up Day will be rescheduled. No new date has been determined, but officials said the event could take place in the summer months.

The Mother's Day Chocolate Walk has also been cancelled due to concerns about the spread of COVID-19.

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Wayne Main Street is a grassroots volunteer-based organization which began in 2014 as part of the city journey as a Select Level Michigan program. The volunteer organization includes partners and volunteers of all ages and backgrounds to create a vibrant downtown, according to the organization website. Main Street also works to market the downtown and all that it has to offer through cooperative advertising campaigns and special events that draw customers into the doors of downtown businesses, the website states.

Main Street continuously works to enhance the look of the downtown and improve the walkability through the installation of benches, the purchase of new self-watering flower planters, downtown clean up events, façade improvements, and more.

The group always welcomes volunteers. Visit downtownwayne.org for more information or to volunteer.

At the Post 251 recent meeting, Melvin Evans of Wayne received an electric scooter from Cmdr. James Saunders of the Westland Post 251. Evans served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict, and was joined by daughter, Monica Dietz, at the ceremony.

Winner

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Sports Scholarship.

At the Post 251 March 4 meeting, Melvin Evans of Wayne received an electric scooter from Cmdr. James Saunders of the Westland Post 251. Evans served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict, and was joined by daughter Monica Dietz at the ceremony.

Evans was discharged as a staff sergeant. Army Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Evans, no relation to Melvin Evans, was honored with a paid-up membership in Post 251. He is an Army recruiter and also received a one-star Blue Star banner for his family to display in a window.

Jeffrey Evans will soon leave for overseas duty.

Westland Post 251 meets monthly, except in July and August, on the first Wednesday of the month at the VFW Hall on Avondale at Wayne Road in Westland. All veterans are welcome to attend.

"We're trying to build up our post," explained Stange, who is also a Garden City Amateur Radio Club member.

Hritz praised the legion's members for their community involvement "and getting them (students) to be active participants."

Hritz is excited about her 12th-grade students, including Givens, conducting voter registration efforts, aided by municipal clerks of Romulus, Wayne and Westland.

John Glenn High School has also in the past had student-led voter registration drives, she added, noting teens can register in school as voters at age 17 but must wait to turn 18 to vote.

Inspire Theatre cancels Spamalot

Inspire Theatre in Westland has canceled performances of Spamalot in response to the executive order of Gov. Gretchen Whitmer.

Managers at the theater are offering several options to those who may have purchased a ticket to any of the performances including waiting to determine if the shutdown of gatherings of more than 50 people is extended or cancelled.

The Spamalot tickets can also be exchanged for tickets to another upcoming production or purchases can request a refund. Refund requests will be accepted until noon April 24, organizers said. If the show dates are changes, necessary adjustments to accommodate ticket holders will be implemented. "Tickets are secure and refunds are guaranteed," according to a prepared statement from the theater managers.

Ticket holders can also consider the ticket purchase a donation to Inspire Theatre, they added.

"We appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate through this situation. We will keep you posted in coming weeks regarding our production. Please stay safe and healthy," the managers concluded.

STEP up

Westland celebrates internship program

The City of Westland recently celebrated the success of the Services to Enhance Potential (STEP) Workplace to Success Intern Program in city hall.

The STEP Supported Employment Services Department works to help individuals with disabilities and other challenges explore, prepare for, and become successful at a job of their choice, through training opportunities, education and outreach with community businesses, and ongoing support. These workplace internships permit individuals to experience what working in a variety of settings, including experience in custodial, housekeeping, food service, day care and others, according to a city spokesperson.

The success of two interns, Ryan Klotz and Tracy Kulikowski, who worked at Westland City Hall was recently lauded by city and organization officials.

In November of 2019, Klotz began interning with the City of Westland Building Department where his primary focus has been processing building permits.

His duties have recently been expanded to support the finance department with water billing.

Kulikowski began her internship in December working with the building department scanning building plans and electronically organizing files as well as providing additional support to the human resources department.

City officials organized a ceremony last month to celebrate the current and future success of the partnership. Westland Mayor William R. Wild, President and CEO of STEP Brent Mikulski and Terey DeLisle, employment and training services director at STEP, spoke to the assembled group.

"The City of Westland is proud to join the growing list of Westland organizations participating in the Workplace to Success Intern Program," commented Wild. "The program allows individuals to prepare for employment opportunities through hands on experience that promote employable work skills and independence. STEP has been an incredible community partner and we are looking forward to achieving even more great things together in the future."

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ROMULUS

Romulus council cancels regular April meetings

A combination of technology and common sense allowed the members of the Romulus City Council to meet in regular session and continue the business of the city last week.

Two council members, Mayor pro tem John Barden and Councilwoman Kathy Abdo used phone equipment to teleconference into the meeting and cast their votes on agenda issues. Councilman William Wadsworth was absent from the meeting.

Barden designated Councilwoman Tina Talley to chair the meeting in light of the teleconferencing. In addition, City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg offered an email address at the beginning of the meeting which would have allowed the public to comment in real time on any issues during that section of the regular agenda. Any email comment would have been read aloud to the council members had anyone taken advantage of the opportunity.

While Romulus City Hall is closed to the public, several elected officials including the mayor and clerk were at work last week with minimal staff and observing the social distancing rules to avoid the spread of COVID-10.

"We are still providing services to the public," Craig-Bragg said. She suggested that requests for some document services could be handled by email at clerk@romclerk.com or by calling (734) 942-7540.

During the meeting, Mayor LeRoy Burcroff expressed his praise and gratitude for the city employees' response to the national emergency and reminded those in attendance of the unique situation Romulus experiences having Detroit Metro Airport in the community with travelers from across the country and world passing through city boundaries. Burcroff asked

> *It takes a community to get through something like this. It is time to put aside differences and rally round together.*

Director of Fire Services and Emergency Management Kevin Krause to present an update regarding the current handling of the epidemic in Romulus.

Krause presented a timeline for the members of the council noting the specific dates that actions were taken to protect the public and the evolution of procedures in the city in response to orders from Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. He mentioned the multiple meetings he and Burcroff have already had with state and county officials and Burcroff's conversation with Whitmer to ensure the safety of residents. Krause noted that the city had implemented the National Emergency Response prior to the emergency declaration by the governor.

"This will have a significant financial impact," Krause said. He noted that the National Emergency Response would allow the city to track every man hour spent in response to the pandemic should there, "down the line" be any federal reimbursement to communities for expenses involved in responding to the current emergency.

Interim Police Chief Joseph Pfannes told the council members that he was well aware that "people still expect police to protect and serve" and Romulus officers continue to serve the needs of the public.

"We are practicing social distancing," he said and noted that it might take officers a bit longer to respond in some non-emergency situations. He said the department is now eliminating personal contacts in non-emergency situations and that police reports can be filed by phone at (734) 941-8400 or online.

"The first responders will still be there," he assured the council.

Each council member took the opportunity to thank the city employees and staff members who have continued to work and provide services during the crisis. Burcroff also thanked the employees again, as he had at the opening of the meeting.

"It takes a community to get through something like this. It is time to put aside differences and rally round together," he said.

Members of the council agreed to cancel a study session and regular meeting set for April 6 and continue the emergency action in the city until April 27.

(Editor's note: See related mayor's letter below.)

Mayor praises performance of essential staff during crisis

Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff recently posted the following email letter to residents detailing the status of coronavirus measures in the city.

Fellow residents:

I hope this email finds you and your loved ones safe and healthy.

I would like to extend my immense gratitude to our essential workers-police and fire, emergency medical professionals, grocery store and pharmacy employees, mail carriers, truck drivers and airport staff. I hope you will join me in keeping these workers, their health and the health of their families in your thoughts and prayers during this time.

As you know, Gov. (Gretchen) Whitmer has issued a "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order. All non-essential Michigan businesses are required to temporarily suspend in-person operations until April 13. It is my hope that we can all do our part to keep ourselves and our community healthy by staying home unless performing essential tasks. To support small businesses in our community, please visit our website to find a list of restaurants still open for carry-out.

With the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order in place, all city buildings are closed to the public, except for the police department. Residents are encouraged to visit our website with any questions. If you need additional assistance, please feel free to call any one of our departments. We only ask that you remain patient with us and if you don't get an answer, please leave a detailed message and our staff will respond to you as soon as possible.

Curbside yard waste and bulk pick-up will be put on hold beginning April 1, 2020 until further notice. Please take this into consideration with planning for spring clean-up activities. If you have any questions, please call Waste Management, Inc. at (866) 797-9018 or Romulus DPW at (734) 942-7579.

Additionally, two weeks ago, the City of Romulus water billing department discontinued account shut offs, and will do so until further notice to ensure residents have access to water services during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you are without water and would like your service reconnected, please contact (734) 942-7650 during regular business hours. Please note: customers are still expected to pay for water used during this time.

Please continue to visit www.romulusgov.com/coronavirus for pertinent updates and resources regarding COVID-19, as well as our City Facebook Page.

Be well, look out for your neighbors and stay Romulus strong.

Mayor LeRoy Burcroff

Schools continue food program for students

Roderick Peterson Jr.
Special Writer

As the coronavirus sweeps through the nation and the world, Romulus Community Schools continues to provide breakfast, lunch, and educational lessons to students in Romulus and Inkster.

While many public school districts across Michigan are offering onsite meal pick-up service for its families, Romulus has gone a step further by delivering food to the community utilizing the district bus service partner, Auxilio Inc.

"After discussing the immediate needs of our students, we knew our families would be best served if we provided a food delivery option," said Nicole Crockett, district interim superintendent of schools. "We have almost 100 volunteers, over 20 bus drivers and aides to make daily deliveries possible."

During the mandated school closure, some bus drivers and volunteers start as early as 7 a.m. to load buses and distribute food along their normal weekly bus routes. The district central office team has worked to send out communications to rally and organize volunteers over the past week.

"If communications were ever important, they are certainly important now in the midst of a health crisis," said Dawn Jamison, district communications officer. "We have been humbled by the outpouring of teachers, staff and community members who have raised their hands to help."

Romulus Community Schools has partnered with Sodexo, the district food service provider, to rally their staff to bag meals for distribution. In just the first week of the school closure, staff workers had prepared nearly 10,000 meals.

Due to the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" order, the district had to halt delivery and shift to meal pickup available weekdays at Halecreek Elementary, Wick Elementary, Barth Elementary, Romulus Elementary and Romulus High School from 10 a.m. to noon in front of the schools.

"Our entire Romulus community has truly come together to support our families," said Crockett. "We are so grateful for such a spirit of unity and for the opportunity to support our students during this time of need."

Farmer's Market may still open in June

The Romulus Farmer's Market is still tentatively set to open from 5 until 9 p.m. on the second, third and fourth Fridays of the month from June through August. The second and fourth Friday markets are near the Sounds in Downtown in the gazebo while the third Friday Farmer's Market will be in the pavilion during the Movies in the Park. For more information, call (734) 955-4531.

CITY OF ROMULUS
NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED FY 2020/2021 BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that Romulus City Council has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held Monday, May 4, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 for the purpose of discussing the FY 2020/2021 Budget, including

"The Property Tax Millage Rate Proposed To Be Levied To Support The Proposed Budget Will Be A Subject of This Hearing."

Said Budget is available for inspection in the Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk of Romulus, MI

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS
OFFICE CLOSING

The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Friday, April 10, 2020 in observance of Good Friday. The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 13, 2020.

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY SERVICES WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE.

Marjorie F. Banner, Clerk

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NOTICE TO CUT NOXIOUS WEEDS
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

To the owner or occupant or any person or persons, firm or corporation having charge of any land in the Charter Township of Plymouth:

Notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing on any land in the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, must be cut and destroyed on or before the 20th day of April, 2020. And every owner, occupant, or person having charge of any such land must notify the Township that such weeds have been destroyed within three days of such cutting. Any person failing to comply with this notice on or before the date mentioned shall be liable for the imposition of the penalties set forth in Ordinance Number 64, of the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, and shall be liable for all expenses incurred by the Township in destroying said noxious weeds, which expenses, if unpaid by the owner or to the occupant, shall be spread against the property on the next County and School Tax Roll collection of such expenses. The township may notify by certified mail with return receipt requested, the owner, agent, or occupant, as shown on the current County and School Tax Roll, of any lands on which such noxious weeds are found growing. Such notice shall contain the methods of treating and eradicating such noxious weeds and a summary of the provisions of this section. Failure of the township to give such notice shall not, however, constitute a defense to any action to enforce the payment of any penalty provided in this article or any debt created under this article.

Jerry Vorva, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020
6:00 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2020 commencing at 6:00 p.m., to consider:

1. Application 1597 (tabled from 9/5/19), R78-005-99-0009-301, 15075 Beck RD, IND zoning district is requesting two variances:
   - To be allowed to have the signable area for a monument sign to be 65 square feet whereas 60 square feet is allowed with a distance from the road of 22 feet with a road frontage of over 200 feet. *Variance requested is an additional 5 square feet of sign area.*
   - To be allowed to have the height of the monument sign to be 12 feet whereas 10 feet is allowed with a distance of 22 feet from the road with over 200 feet of road frontage. *Variance requested is 2 additional feet in height.*
2. Application 1600, (March 2020 Canceled meeting) R78-026-99-002-705, 41100 Plymouth RD, IND zoning district is requesting one variance:
   - To allow a second wall sign on the same façade without a second means of public ingress/egress. *Variance requested is 1 additional wall sign.*
3. Application 1601, R78-056-01-0174-000, 46226 Forestwood Dr., R-1-S zoning district is requesting one variance:
   - To construct a 13'x19' sunroom that would reduce the rear yard setback to 43' feet whereas 50' feet is required. Variance Requested is 7' feet.
4. Application 1602, R78-024-99-049-000, 39411 Schoolcraft, IND zoning district is requesting nine variances:
   - The applicant does not have a building on site, so he has used the 7'x12' (84 square foot) dumpster wall for his wall sign (aka mural). The mural painting is 63.6 square feet whereas the maximum signable area is 50% or 25.2 square feet. *The one variance requested is 38.4 square feet of signable area.*
   - Banner signs shall be temporary, not to exceed 72 hours and not to exceed 4 times per year. The applicant has no place on the property where a monument sign can be constructed so the banner has been installed on the 4' aluminum fence. *The three variance requests are: (1) to be allowed the banner to stay attached to the fence permanently hence (2) exceeding the 72 hours and (3) more than the 4 times per year.*
   - The string lights (Christmas lights) attached to the top of the 4' fence around the property are prohibited to highlight architectural features. *The one variance requested is to allow string lights (Christmas lights) to be used as an architectural feature.*
   - All exterior lighting shall be directed downward and shielded; if not the lighting is prohibited. The applicant has the rope lighting (Christmas lights) and festoon lighting (string lights) both of which are not shielded or directed downward. *The two variance requests are: (1) to allow both the rope & string lights be allowed to stay permanently even though (2) they are not shielded or downward directed.*
   - The waste water receptacle is a free-standing tank sitting on the court pavement whereas the ordinance states it is prohibited to be in an open lot and should be enclosed within a structure. *The two variances requested are: (1) to allow the waste water tank to remain free standing with (2) no enclosure.*

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

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Belleville - Sumpter - Van Buren

Sumpter Township budget is topic at meeting

Members of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees met March 24 for a public hearing on the upcoming 2020-2021 budget.

Township Finance Director Michelle Cole told the trustees that in light of the current state of emergency due to the corona virus she was going to discuss just the most important items in the budget.

"This is a budget planning document," she said. "Everything will have to go through all channels of approval."

Cole said the top item was the year end total which showed that township revenue was up. "Expenses are up, too," she said, "but this shows that the township has done a really good job in closing the gap on previous water issues."

She noted that general fund expenditures included an overall assessment of the network which would include new phones, I-phones, emails and several computers that need replacing along with some printers." She estimated the cost was $40,000.

The budget includes $85,000 for the purchase of police interceptor vehicles and noted that the police department has done a good job in replacing vehicles incrementally. There is also $20,000 in the proposed budget for the upgrade and purchase of radios as the police are switching models to comply with the type used throughout the area.

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She also noted there was a $15,000 allotment for building repair and a $12,000 expense for an evidence cabinet which had been previously budgeted.

Cole explained that the budget also include a funding mechanism for a new fire truck which would loan $150,000 from the general fund to be repaid over seven years.

Trustee Don LaPorte noted that the fire truck needed replacing as the vehicle is 20 years old and can no longer be considered a front-line truck without re-certification and testing for current standards. He said that lighting alone on the vehicle could cost $45,000.

LaPorte said having a vehicle in compliance with all National Fire Protection standards was important as it impacted homeowner's insurance rates.

"Homeowner' insurance rates go up," he noted, explaining the need for a new fire vehicle as a budget expense this year.

Cole also noted that the proposed budget includes a $13,000 expense for water meter radio units that can be read from inside a truck.

She said that she was impressed with the financial decisions trustees made during the last year.

"Your efforts are starting to pay off," she said of the budget which showed a 9-percent increase in the net position of the township.

Further hearings on the budget will be scheduled when the current coronavirus crisis has abated.

Trustees agreed to cancel meetings through April.

Beaumont Van Buren to accept medical donations

Donations of medical supplies for Beaumont Health are now being accepted at the Van Buren Township facility at 29163 Ecorse Road.

Hospital officials said a central location for donations would better accommodate the distribution of the needed supplies.

"We're overwhelmed with the generosity and support from the public," said Beaumont Chief Nursing Officer, Susan Grant. "We're thankful for their donations and grateful Gov. (Gretchen) Whitmer's Stay-at-Home order, still allows area residents to go out and drop off much-needed donations of medical supplies. We thank them for stepping up and making a difference."

As the number of COVID-19 patients continues to climb, Beaumont Health is now accepting specific medical supplies and donations to help support the health systems ongoing efforts to protect staff and patients during the pandemic.

"We have heard from people all over Michigan who want to donate medical supplies, equipment and money to help with Beaumont's efforts to protect our staff and care for our patients," Beaumont Health Senior Vice President and Chief Development Officer Margaret Cooney Casey said. "We are so grateful for all the community members who are pitching in to help. We'll disperse the donations to the areas of greatest need throughout Beaumont Health."

While we appreciate that donors may want to donate other supplies, we're asking only for certain high priority items at this time, Casey said.

The most-needed personal protective equipment includes: New or unused disposable face masks;N-95 mask (sometimes called respirators); Eye protection including face shields and safety goggles; Disposable gowns; Disposable gloves (especially non-latex); Disposable surgical caps; Disposable foot covers; Wipes: bleach or anti-microbial; Hand-sanitizer and home-sewn reusable masks . Also needed are specialized items such as: PAPRs (powered air purifying respirators) and PAPR hoods; Nasal testing swabs and viral testing kits.

The hospital will not accept an medication or 3'D ventilator parts , food or blankets.

> *The drop-off locations are "touchless" to ensure donor safety with donors placing items directly into bins.*

The drop-off location is "touchless" to ensure donor safety with donors placing items directly into bins. Receipts for donations will be available online at www.beaumont.org/giving Donations are strongly encouraged and appreciated, Casey said, and can be made at the Van Buren Township facility from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday Donors who are not feeling well should wait until they are well before donating supplies or equipment.

Bulk donations for pick-up by Beaumont can be organized by contacting covid19donations@beaumont.org.

To make a financial donation to the Beaumont COVID-19 Fund to assist patients and emergency operations, visit www.beaumont.org/giving or mail a check to the Beaumont Health Foundation. Please write COVID-19 Fund on the check.

Belleville City Hall is closed

Belleville officials have closed city hall to the public in response to the coronavirus outbreak but essential city services will continue, "just in a different way."

The city website directs residents to call 911 for emergency response from both police and fire or a medical situation. Non-emergency information is available at the 211 number. Residents can also use the emergency email Wecanhelp@Bellevilleonthelake.com for information and updates.

The city is accepting only online and drop-box payments and is unable to return change. In the case of overpayment, the amount will be credited toward the next utility bill and receipts will be mailed for cash transactions only.

The website announcement urges residents to use the phone lines for any inquiries at (734) 697-9323. Use 5 to connect to the water department and either 3 or 5 for tax information or 3 or 4 for the building department. The website suggests that residents use the city website "I'd like to…" feature. The website also lists the city department email addresses which can be used to contact personnel for information.

The website includes a notification of changes in refuse service by Republic Waste Service which has reduced some service in the community. There will be no bulky item trash pickup and all items must fit into trash roll-out containers. No extra garbage bags on the ground will be picked up. There will be no compost or yard waste pickup during the health emergency, according to the announcement.

> *We're all in this together and we thank you for your patience and understanding during Michigan's health emergency.*

Residents can use the self-serve dumpster at the DPS Yard located at 370 E. Columbia for leaf/yard waste/compost only. The yard is open from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, contact Republic Waste Services at 800-858-0089

"We're all in this together and we thank you for your patience and understanding during Michigan's health emergency," the city posting concludes.

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Synopsis of Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings
Members: Supervisor Pat Williams, Clerk Michael Siegrist, Treasurer Dian Slavens
Trustees: John Anthony, Sommer Foster, Anne Graham-Hudak, Steven Sneideman
Regular (Study Session) Meeting 02/04/2020: Synopsis: Tour of GFL facility
Regular Meeting 02/11/2020: Synopsis: Approved consent and general calendar as posted in full on website.
Regular (Study Session) Meeting 02/18/2020: Synopsis: Reviewed community survey results
Regular Meeting 02/25/2020: Synopsis: Approved consent and general calendar as posted in full on website.

Copies of the complete Board minutes can be found for free at www.canton-mi.org. Minutes can also be viewed or copied at 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI during normal business hours. Call 734-394-5120 for more information. 09660-460000 02-04-20

Sumpter Township
Special Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 5:00 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Morgan at 5:00 pm. Roll call: Supervisor J. Morgan, Trustees: Oddy, Rush, LaPorte and Swinson, Clerk E. Hurst and Treasurer K. Bednark excused. Also showing present: Deputy Clerk Burdick, HR Bellingham, DPW Kuska, Sumpter PD Sgt Bulowski and no residents.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

4. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only: None.

5. New Business:

A. Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to approve hiring John Linville as laborer on Sumpter Township Water Department with a start date of March 16, 2020. Starting pay of $23.82 per hour per union contract. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Rush, supported by Swinson to approve motion to set a public hearing on March 24, 2020 at 6:00 pm for the 2020-2021 budget. Motion carried.

6. Open Floor: None.

7. Adjournment: Motion by Rush, supported by Swinson to adjourn at 5:04 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by,
Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk
Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk — date

John Morgan, Supervisor — date

Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 6:30 p.m.
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111
Minutes

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Morgan at 7:15 pm. Roll call: Supervisor J. Morgan, Clerk E. Hurst, Trustees: Rush, Oddy and LaPorte. Treasurer Bednark and Trustee Swinson excused. Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Burdick, Fire Chief Janusyk, Public Safety Director/Chief of Police Luke and approximately 38 residents.

*Special recognition by Supervisor Morgan and Attorney Young of Mr. Keith Uurinen, a past Township Engineer and Consultant, who recently passed away.

3. Agenda: Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the Agenda with the following amendments;
Edit; 11. New Business, Item C. Consider approval of Carl Ford's time ~~estimated at~~ **not to exceed** $9,450.00 to correct cash accounts.
Add; 11. New Business, Item G. Consider approval of a 6-month personal leave for Fire Fighter Daniel Frost, effective 2.1.2020.
Motion carried.

4. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only: No Comments.

5. Minutes:
A. Motion by Rush, supported by Hurst to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2020. Motion carried.

6. Warrants:
A. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the warrant total of $3,263,359.25. Roll call vote: Yes: Supervisor J. Morgan, Clerk E. Hurst, Trustees: Rush, Oddy. Swinson and LaPorte. Treasurer Bednark and Trustee Swinson excused. Nay: None. Motion carried.
B. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve bill(s) payments through the month of March, 2020. Motion carried.

7. Parks & Recreation/Chamber Report-Swinson:
Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to receive and file the Parks & Recreation/Chamber report. Motion carried.

8. Planning/Zoning Report-Oddy:
- Planning Commission met February 13, 2020 for its consideration of a Special Use application by petitioner applicant for a recreational business. Consideration is tabled until April 9, 2020.

Motion by Rush, supported by LaPorte to approve the Planning/Zoning report. Motion carried.

9. Senior Report-Hurst:
- The Annual Black History Celebration will be February 28th and all are welcome. There will be a $5 entrance fee. Please keep an eye on our Township Website for more details.

Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve the Senior report. Motion carried.

10. Board Response: No Board Comments/Response.

11. New Business:
A. Motion by Hurst to approve the proposal for professional services by WCA Assessing in the amount of $114,540. Motion unsupported.

Motion by LaPorte supported by Rush to **TABLE** the proposal for professional services by WCA Assessing in the amount of $114,540 until the March 24, 2020 Regular Board Meeting for the full Board consideration. Motion carried.

B. Motion by Hurst, supported by Oddy to approve the contract extension for HR Coordinator. Motion carried.

C. Motion by Oddy, supported by Rush to approve of Carl Ford's time not to exceed $9,450.00 to correct cash accounts. Motion carried

D. Motion by Hurst, supported by Rush to approve the utilization of The Eagle/Associated Newspapers as Sumpter Township's recognized Newspaper of Record. Motion carried.

E. Motion by Oddy, supported by Hurst to approve dissolving the PBG channel and WEB site committees. All objectives have been accomplished. Motion carried.

F. Motion Hurst, supported by Oddy to approve the West Shore Services proposal for the new digital encoder/control and VHF radio for the Sumpter Township Emergency siren system at a cost of $11,199.00. Motion carried.

G. Motion by LaPorte, supported by Oddy to approve a 6-month personal leave for Fire Fighter Daniel Frost, effective 2.1.2020. Motion carried.

12. Announcements:
- Trustee Rush announced that the new SkyWarn training will be conducted at the Fire Station #1 on Thursday, March 26, 2020 at 7:00pm and Saturday, April 4, 2020 at 10:00am. This training is open to the public and all residents are encouraged to attend.

13. Open Floor: Six (6) people spoke.

14. Adjournment
Motion by Rush, supported by Oddy to adjourn at 8:02 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes prepared by;
Anthony Burdick, Deputy Clerk
Sumpter Township

Esther Hurst, Clerk — date

John W. Morgan, Supervisor — date

Canton - Inkster - Northville

Inkster council suspends meetings for 30 days

Members of the Inkster City Council have responded to the social distancing ordered by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer with a new resolution suspending public meetings for the next 30 days.

The resolution, number os-20-49-R, also permits Mayor Patrick Wimberly as the chief administrative officer to take all actions necessary to the continued operation of the City of Inkster.

The resolution was approved by a unanimous vote of the city council members during the regularly scheduled March 16 meeting.

The resolution notes that the governor has declared a state of emergency due to the public health crisis and has ordered various venues and public places closed. It recognizes that current recommendations include the cancellation of gatherings of 10 or more people, the implementing of social distancing practices, reductions of in-person gatherings and measures designed to prevent the spread of the highly contagious disease.

The resolution also mentions the requirement of the Open Meetings Act which requires governmental actions be taken at public meetings "but remains silent about taking emergency interim action where public meetings are not possible due to significant public health threats like the COVID-19 pandemic."

> *The resolution also permits Mayor Patrick Wimberly as the chief administrative officer to take all actions necessary to the continued operation of the City of Inkster.*

To continue the operation of normal business in the city, the resolution provides the "Mayor/Chief Administrative Officer shall take all necessary and proper actions to ensure the continuity of governmental operations."

The resolution requires that any necessary and proper actions taken by the mayor which would ordinarily require pre-approval by council members be communicated electronically to each council member within 24 hours of being taken "or as soon thereafter as is practical under the circumstances."

The communications to the members of the city council should also be posted on the city website within 48 hours, according to the resolution.

The new rules will remain in effect until the governor declares that the state of emergency has ended or the council approves a resolution terminating these new procedures.

Northville mayor urges communication as top crisis priority

Bryan Turnbull, the mayor of Northville, recently issued a statement to all residents regarding the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in the city.

"These are indeed extraordinary times and communication is a top priority for all of us. First, I want to thank our hard-working men and women in the Northville community on the front lines of this COVID-19 battle, with all of its evolving situations (public safety, medical professionals, essential services and those assisting the community)," he said.

He said that he had been in contact with Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, along with federal, state, county and local municipal officials and would continue to gather information regarding responding to the virus.

Turnbull urged Northville residents to continue practicing social distancing and reminded them, however, that grocery stores, gas stations, pharmacies, restaurants that provide take-out and delivery, and other essential services are still open. He reminded those older than 50 that special hours are in place at most grocery stores to accommodate them.

Service by Northville police, fire, Advanced Life Support staff and first responders will continue without interruption, Turnbull reminded residents. He urged citizens to only call 911 when it is critical. An option is the dispatch number at (248) 349-1234.

Turnbull said that senior transportation (medical, grocery shopping, work) will continue while the parks and recreation activities have been suspended.

He urged residents to follow the best practices recommended by experts including the practice of social distancing, avoiding handshakes, washing hands frequently and the use of sanitizer.

Turnbull requested that residents attempt to help support local Northville businesses as possible, including ordering delivery or curbside pick up from Northville restaurants and stores and shopping local stores online.

"As you are restocking your pantries and freezers, readying activities for your kids, ordering items online and planning for meals at home, please consider ways you can keep your business local," the mayor said.

"I'm committed to ensuring that no one in the greater Northville community gets left behind. Northville is strong because of every one of you working together to keep our community safe," he concluded.

Canton Township reporting 76 cases of coronavirus

At last report from the office of Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams, there were 78 confirmed coronavirus cases in the community on March 26.

Williams suggested on the township website that anyone who believes they need to be tested for COVID-19 (coronavirus), follow the advice of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). The agency recommends patients contact their healthcare provider to discuss symptoms. The MDHHS also has a hotline for coronavirus questions: 1-888-535-6136. This number will be answered daily from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

All Canton Township facilities are closed to the public until at least April 14, Williams emphasized. All critical and emergency services continue to operate with full staffing. The closures do not affect any police or fire services, including 911. Collection of trash will continue as scheduled.

Water bills can be paid by mail to PO Box 87680, Canton MI, 48188; the drop box located outside the main entrance to the Canton Administration Building, by phone 1-833-697-1711, and online at www.canton-mi.org/979. However, late fees will not be assessed for March and April water bills as long as full payment is received by Friday, May 29. Do not place cash payments in the drop box.

"The Canton leadership team continues to monitor the COVID-19 situation, and would like to remind residents about the importance of social distancing. We all need to work together and look out for each other's health and safety," Williams stated on the website.

Williams added that Meals on Wheels helps homebound seniors who are unable to prepare their own meals. "It can be an absolutely essential service for many older adults-providing a hot meal, a friendly visitor and someone to check in on them every weekday, especially during this time."

For more information about Meals on Wheels current availability, call 1-800 852-7795.

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Plymouth

State grants to Republican Party leader questioned

Don Howard
Staff Writer

Individuals involved in what Plymouth Township officials described as state funding of "urban sprawl" may soon face public scrutiny regarding the ethics of their actions.

The approval of a 2018 supplemental spending bill that included a $10 million grant to Salem Township is again being examined. The 73 projects placed on the spending bill were said to be missing documentation.

The grant money was earmarked as funding to help Livonia builder Bobby Schostak install water and sewer lines for the construction of Salem Springs South, one of two planned subdivisions located in a 200-acre triangle bordered by M-14, Gotfredson Road, North Territorial and Napier roads on the northeast edge of Washtenaw County, just outside Plymouth Township.

Plymouth Township officials were guardedly critical of the development and questioned the possible impact on the township infrastructure, schools and public safety.

Legislators approved the funding on the last day of the lame duck Legislature session in December, 2018. The bill included $115 million for small projects across the state that were championed by Republican senators and representatives, including the project headed by Schostak, former chairman of the state Republican Party.

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To date, the builder has received $20 million to start construction.

According to a recent Detroit News article, former lawmaker and Grand Haven Republican Arlan Meekhof, who left office at the end of 2018, and several others involved in the approval of the grant, including his daughter, were the previously unknown facilitators with allies who set up "social welfare" nonprofit groups that raised money from "mystery sources."

Secret donors pumped money into the coffers of the former lawmaker who served two terms in the Michigan House and was later elected to the senate and served for eight years. Records show 2018 financial supporters included 11 donors who contributed at least $20,000 each. Accordingly, the group had to disclose under federal tax law how much it received from individual large donors, but not who they were.

"One donor gave $150,000, according to the tax filing. Another gave $125,000. There were contributions of $82,800, $75,000 and $60,000. And three gave $50,000 each."

Meekhof's nonprofit, The American Jobs Council reportedly has three directors, Steve Linder, a consultant who has worked with senate republicans; Robert DeVries, a lobbyist who previously served as Meekhof's chief of staff and Meredith Beidler, Meekhof's daughter.

The Schostak project in Salem has now stalled for reasons unknown and Salem Township has not asked for the money, according to Township Supervisor Gary Whitaker.

Whittaker said Schostak approached former Plymouth Township officials a few years ago to negotiate a deal for water and sewer usage. He said Schostak representatives then asked Salem Township to borrow the money through a bond that would be paid off by developer fees. He said his township declined to participate. Whittaker added that he believes the developer of the subdivision land would be responsible for all of the cost, as dictated by the township master plan for the area.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer said at the time she was frustrated with the approval of the grant money just days before she took office-but could do nothing to halt the spending. The current total cost estimate of bringing water and sewer to the area is $40 million. Later the state attorney general's office said the grants were legal and should be funded.

According to Kurt Weiss, a spokesman for the state Department of Technology and Management, the actual wording of the grant in the law is open to a broad interpretation. It calls for spending the money "to encourage economic development and future growth in a small portion of the township. There is no mention of water and sewer lines; with the language vague enough to suggest the township could spend the money on other things," Weiss said.

Bridge Magazine reported in 2009 that Schostak's company asked Salem Township to ask the federal government to fund the project and the township declined. That decision added to the contentious relationship between the township and Schostak Brothers & Co., Inc., with the Schostak company taking legal action against the township. Whittaker later said the township would probably use the money for the utilities out of fear of more legal action.

Plymouth commissioners recommend local liquor licenses

Plymouth City Commissioners recently recommended the renewal of liquor licenses at several establishments in the city.

The recommendation for approval will go to the State Liquor Control Commission for: Buon Vino Winery, LLC, Park Place Gastro Pub, Compari's/Fiamma/Sardine Room (three locations one license); City of Plymouth Recreation, Hermann's Olde Town Grill, Mayflower Meeting House VFW, Nico & Vali, Bigalora/Arbor Brewing, Barrio - 555 Forest, Mayflower- Lt. Gamble Post 6695, Plymouth Knights of Columbus, Penn Grill, Plymouth ROC- 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Stella's Trackside (Starkweather), Sean O'Callaghan's, Post Local Bistro, E.G. Nicks, Stella Black Dog Tavern (Fralick), Aqua, Westborn Market, Greek Islands, Pakwaan Restaurant, Pizza E Vino and The Honey Hole. In addition, commissioners approved a change in stockholders at both Stella's Black Dog Tavern and Stella's Trackside.

In other business, commissioners approved the hire of full-time employee at the Department of Municipal Services to replace a retiring employee.

They also authorized a change order to the roads infrastructure improvement plan to complete work on Dewey Street between Byron and Ross. Construction is anticipated to begin this spring.

Commissioners also agreed that additional work on the design of the 2020 road projects continue.

State Representative Matt Koleszar also presented an administrative update during the meeting. He noted that a $250,000 grant had been secured for the city for Americans with Disability Act required improvements at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

State officials urge residents to complete census online or by mail

It's never been more important for everyone living in Michigan to be counted in the U.S. census, according to state officials.

The census impacts everyone from seniors to students, children and parents and local businesses and neighborhoods. Participating in the census is a civic duty as important as voting in our democracy, they said in a prepared statement.

To help get the word out, the State of Michigan has launched the Be Counted campaign to communicate the importance of completing the census, dispel myths and help ensure every Michigander is counted in the 2020 Census.

The census form is available in several different languages in addition to English, including Spanish. Individuals are not required to be a citizen in order to complete the 2020 Census, and there are no citizenship questions on the census form.

The census takes place every 10 years with the goal of counting everyone living in the United States. Invitations to complete the 2020 Census began arriving in mailboxes across Southeast Michigan last week.

For the first time, the census can be filled out online, as well as by phone or mail, making it more convenient than ever.

Information is 100 percent confidential and by law cannot be shared with anyone. Census data is only used to produce demographic statistics and will not be used in a way that will identify you or your household, according to the official census website.

Completing the 2020 Census is critical to the future of the state. There is $3,000 in federal funding at stake for every person who completes the census.

The 2020 Census will ask questions about the number of people living in the household on April 1, 2020, and ask their names, ages, genders, race, dates of birth, relationship status, phone numbers and whether the home is owned or rented.

Participation in the census determines funding for local communities and essential services, including public safety, schools, housing, health care, and senior programs. Michigan receives nearly $30 billion per year in federal funding for these and many other critical programs. Census numbers also help determine how many congressional seats Michigan will have, the website states.

To learn more, visit www.michigan.gov/census2020/.

Donations are sought

The Plymouth Canton Salvation Army and the Plymouth Community United Way are seeking donations to help those in need during the health emergency throughout the state.

Donations of food are being accepted at the Salvation Army office at 9451 S. Main Street in Plymouth. Donors should call (734) 453-5464 when they arrive for instructions on dropping off donations with minimal human contact.

The Plymouth Community United Way is raising money for the COVID-19 Relief Fund to support those who have been affected by the virus.

"Donations will help provide basic needs for members of our local community including seniors, families, children, and community agencies," officials said.

Checks can be made out to the COVID-19 Relief Fund and mailed to P.O. Box 6356, Plymouth, MI 48170. Donations can also be made at the website or text PCUW to 41444. Make sure to specify the COVID-19 Relief Fund with the donation.

For more information visit http://www.plymouthunitedway.org/COVID-19-Relief-Fund or call (734) 453-6879.

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